

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

“Electronic Proposals Are Here to Stay, Are You Ready?”

Friday, October 21, 2005

University of Connecticut

Stamford Campus

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

AGENDA

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Registration	Lobby
9:00 – 9:30 a.m.	Welcome	Auditorium
9:30 -11:00 a.m.	Workshops	
	1. How to Become a Successful Applicant	
	2. Creating an Efficient Operating System	
	3. Creating a Perfect Picture	
	4. How to Measure Your Success	
11:00 -11:15 a.m.	Break	
11:15 - 1:00 p.m.	Workshops	
	Repeat Workshops	

WORKSHOP TOPICS

WORKSHOP 1: How to Become a Successful Applicant

Grants.Gov - Grants.gov allows organizations to electronically find and apply for competitive grant opportunities from all Federal grant-making agencies

Grant Application - including reading the grant, understanding the priorities, using the funder's language, formatting the application to mimic the RFP, using GMS and using the electronic reporting system.

WORKSHOP 2: Creating an Efficient Operating System

Grants Management System - create a simple, unified system that provides online submission, tracking, reviewing and processing of grant applications as well as management reporting, data analysis, and accounting. The interactive web-based system supports the entire life cycle of the grant application process

Performance Based Budgeting - fundamental reasons behind Performance Based Budgeting, how to motivate a group to engage in the process, learn the Performance Based Budgeting process.

WORKSHOP 3: Creating a Perfect Picture

Logic Modeling - The W.K. Kellogg Foundation defines a logic model as a picture of how your organization does its work. Learn how to create a visual presentation of the resources you have to operate your program, the activities you plan to do, and the changes or results you plan to achieve.

Collaborations – What they are, how to create ongoing collaborations, getting over turf issues.

WORKSHOP 4: How to Measure Your Success

Evaluation - The knowledge from evaluations at various intervals in your process allows for you to strengthen your program. Identify how you can secure evaluators appropriate to your program and your organization and when to get them involved.

